

REMARKS

At the outset, the Applicant wishes to thank Patent Examiner Nasser Ahmad for the many courtesies extended to the undersigned attorney during the Personal Interview on December 21, 2005, at the U.S.P.T.O. The substance of this Personal Interview is set forth in the Examiner Interview Summary, and in this Amendment.

On Page 2 of the Office Action, the Patent Examiner states that the Terminal Disclaimer filed on June 15, 2005 has been accepted, and the indicated allowability of claims 14, 18 and 21 has been withdrawn in view of the newly found reference of *Duncan* (U.S. Patent No. 4,626,460). Claim 24 was cancelled in the Amendment filed June 15, 2005.

On Page 3 of the Office Action, the Patent Examiner has rejected claims 14, 18 and 21 under 35 U.S.C. 103(a) as being unpatentable over *Pedginski* (WO 95/33013) in view of *Duncan* (U.S. Patent No. 4,626,460).

Also on Page 3 of the Office Action, the Patent Examiner has rejected claims 18 and 21 under 35 U.S.C. 112, second paragraph, as being indefinite. The Patent Examiner has stated that these two dependent claims do not further limit independent claim 14.

During the Personal Interview, there was a proposal to amend

claim 21 to become an independent claim and to include "providing the first web and the second web simultaneously in a spaced apart position; and extruding the adhesive layer and the layer with the release properties between the two webs; and forming the bond with the two webs." This proposed Amendment, when presented in a formal response, will be considered and will overcome the rejection made in the last Office Action. Applicant also proposed to overcome the 35 U.S.C. 112, second paragraph rejection, by cancelling claims 14 and 18, when submitting the formal response.

Thus, claims 14 and 18 have been cancelled, while claim 21 was made independent and was amended as stated above. Newly added claims 27, 28, and 29 depend from independent claim 21 and recite one of the specific materials for the first web and the second web, namely paper, metal foil, and non-woven fabric.

Newly added independent claim 30 is based upon now independent claim 21. However, new claim 30 differs from claim 21 in that claim 30 recites "plastic" as one of the specific materials for the first web and the second web, while claim 21 does not recite "plastic."


For all the reasons set forth above, all the claims are now believed to be in complete compliance with all the formal requirements under 35 U.S.C. 112, for the granting of a patent for the present invention. Withdrawal of this ground of rejection is

respectfully requested.

In summary, claims 14 and 18 were cancelled; claim 21 has been amended; new claims 27, 28, 29, and 30 have been added; and claims 21 and 27 to 30 are pending. In view of these amendments it is firmly believed that the present invention, and all these claims, are patentable under 35 U.S.C. 103 over all the prior art applied by the Patent Examiner. Withdrawal of this ground of rejection is respectfully requested.

A prompt notification of allowability is respectfully requested.

Respectfully submitted,
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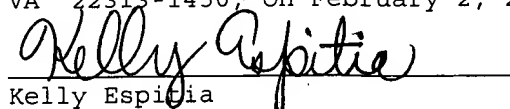
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